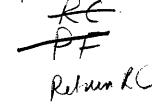


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October 20, 1978

Mr. F. Allen Harris American Embassy Buenos Aires Argentina

Dear Tex:

I just wanted to let you know that Patt and I have had confidential and fruitful discussions with Ambassador Schamis. He understands our concerns and shares the hope that there can be positive steps. He wanted to continue this confidential discussion through you and I would hope that you could arrange to maintain a confidential relationship with him.

We quickly prepared a short list of particular cases. We did want to be sure that there are no inappropriate connections in any of them which might jeopardize some positive action on the others. So we did ask him to talk with you about them.

In general, of course, the hopes of all of us continue for a halt to disappearances, torture, and significant numbers of prisoners released, permitted to use the right of option, and, in cases where there is compelling evidence of criminal activity, the transfer to civilian judicial procedures.

With best regards,

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Sincerely,

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Mark L. Schneider Deputy Assistant Secretary for Human Rights

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Disappearance Cases

Beatriz Perosio, President of Buenos Aires Association of Psychologists and Argentine Association of Psychologists (missing since August 1978).

Julian Delgado, journalist, El Cronista Comercial & Mercado (missing since June 1978).

Daniel Eduardo Bendersky, student of nuclear physics at Faculty of Exact Sciences, Buenos Aires University (missing since September 1978).

Roberto Omar Ramirez, professor of architecture, U of La Plata (missing since July 1978).

Julio Eduardo Lareu, director of carpentry shop, Buenos Aires (missing since May 1978).

Maximo Eduardo Jaroslavsky, medical doctor, founded cardiology clinic Buenos Aires (missing since November 1975).

Kleber Silva Iribarnegaray, priest (missing since June 1977).

Carlos Noriega, former ECLA official (missing since February 1977, Miramar).

Antonio Misetich, scientist, National Atomic Energy Commission, former Co-President, Latin American Physics Center, OAS (missing since April 1976).

Abraham Hochman, lawyer, Buenos Aires (reported missing since August 17, 1978).

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Detention Cases, PEN and Other

Mireya Ester Rojo, lawyer, counsel to Metal Workers Union, Villa Constitucion, Santa Fe, held in Villa de Voto (since April 1975).

Ernesto Saravi, obstetrician and gynecologist, held in La Plata prison (arrested October 1977).

Carlos Mariano Zamorano, lawyer, Tucuman (detained since December 1974), Vice-Pres, Argentine Human Rights League.

Alberto Felipe Maly Olvitz (disappeared in September 1977 in La Plata and held under PEN since September 15, 1978); mother is US citizen.

Susana Graciella Pioli Trejo, highschool student, held at Villa de Voto since November 1974.

Enrique Estaban, journalist, Clarin, and student, U of La Plata School of Journalism, held at army headquarters in Neuquen since September 29 following July disappearance.

Luis Rinaudi, journalist and laywer, Cordoba, member of board of local bar association, wrote for Cordoba and Los Tiempos, arrested September 21, 1978 by Army.

Roberto Yankilevich, lawyer, Cordoba, arrested September 21, 1978 by Army.

Liliana Vogler, serving 9-year sentence in Cordoba, father in US under right of option.

Jaime Lokman, businessman, Cordoba, held since March 1976. reported in poor health.

Nestor Manuel Fantini Aybar, student of engineering, held in La Plata since September 1975.

Rodolfo Juan Begnardi and wife Nora Julia Bucare, held in Resistencia since November 1975; he was a metallurgical worker and she a schoolteacher.

Candida Graciella Burian Rojas, office worker, held since November 1975, Villa de Voto, requested right of option.

Mario Zareceansky and wife Sylvia Montserrat, held at Cordoba since July 1977; he was a labor lawyer and teacher at the Faculty of Law of the U of Cordoba; she taught in the Faculty of Architecture at the U of Cordoba.

Ricardo Rodriguez-Saa, student of engineering, held since September 75; has applied for a US visa.

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